

## REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application, in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks, is respectfully requested.

### Drawings Objections

The Formal Drawings are being resubmitted with identification as "Replacement Sheets"/

### Claim Objections

Claims 1, 3-20 and 29-32 are objected to because certain informalities.

Claims 1, 3-20, and 29-30 have been amended to remove informalities.

### Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

Claims 15-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Applicants respectfully traverse these rejections.

Claim 15 has been amended to remove to further clarify "the sequence of the decision quality indicators." Applicants believe that claim 15 is now clear and definite. Accordingly, applicants request the withdrawal of the rejection of claims 15-20 under 35 USC § 112, second paragraph.

### Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

Claims 1, 7-14, 21-26 and 28-32 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Applicant's Admitted Prior Art (AAPA) in view of Yanagi et al., and Heppe. Applicants respectfully traverse these rejections.

Claims 1, 10, 15, 21, and 29 have been amended to include the limitation, which has been indicated to be allowable. Accordingly claims 1, 10, 15, 21, and 29 are believed to be allowable.

Claims 3-5, 7-9, 11-14, 16, 18-20, 22-28, 30-32 depend from base claims that have been amended to include the allowable limitation. Accordingly, these claims are believed to be allowable for at least the same reasons as respective base claim.

Applicant believes this application and the claims herein to be in a condition for allowance. Should the Examiner have further inquiry concerning these matters, please contact the below named attorney for Applicant.

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